

BUILDINGS
TOPPLED OVER

By a Violent Earthquake To-day in Turkey

LOSS OF LIFE IS REPORTED

Monastir, a City of 45,000 People, Was the Scene of Greatest Havoc, and the Population Is Now Camping Out.

Constantinople, Feb. 20.—A violent earthquake was experienced at Monastir and elsewhere throughout Vilayet Monastir to-day and there was some loss of life. Several mosques and houses were demolished and the population is camping out, although suffering intensely with the cold. The authorities have appealed to the government for three hundred tents and relief funds.

BASIS FOR MEXICAN PEACE.

Government Should Grant Reform of Evils Which Made Revolution Possible.

Paris, Feb. 20.—In a review of the crisis in Mexico, made to-day, Jose Ives Limantour, the minister of finance in the cabinet of President Diaz, declared that the only basis for peace was the granting of reforms to the government, which, on its part, should grant a reform of the evils which made the revolution possible. He was convinced that the insurgents having seen laid down arms, the various reforms they demanded should be granted to the people, after careful study and elaboration.

100 GIRLS IN PANIC
IN NEW YORK CONVENT

When a Bomb Was Exploded To-day in the Street In Front of Convent. No One Was Injured.

New York, Feb. 20.—One hundred girls, who were inmates of St. Cecilia's convent on East 100th street, were thrown into a panic early to-day by the explosion of a dynamite bomb in the street at the entrance to the convent. The bomb did little damage, but the noise was terrific and the buildings for a block in that vicinity were shaken. The inmates of the convent rushed in terror to the stairways and to the fire escapes when they were awakened by the explosion.

The police are of the opinion that the bomb was intended for a wealthy Italian physician, whose residence adjoins St. Cecilia's convent.

SEEKS EXECUTION.

Senator Max Powell Now Asks Burlington Voters.

Burlington, Feb. 20.—Max L. Powell has applied in the city election warning for a vote to be taken on the question of whether the new hotel Vermont should be exempted from taxation for five years. Captain J. M. Ashley, of Company M, has also applied in the warning for a vote on whether the members of Company M should be exempt from a poll tax. Both questions will be voted on by separate ballot.

OUR CHANTECLER.

"Critics who commented upon certain 'bird-like' qualities in Miss Maude Adams," says Woman's Home Companion for February, "may well have plumed themselves upon their prophetic discernment when it was announced that the graceful actress who had already portrayed L'Aiglon, the enigma, would this season appear in the title role of Rostand's Chantecler. Her biographers tell us that Miss Adams made her debut in 1873 at the age of nine months, having been accidentally substituted for a rag doll which played an important, though silent, part in a play called 'The Lost Child.' Since then she has played many roles, especially endearing herself to the American public in J. M. Barrie's plays, as 'Lady Babine,' as 'Peter Pan,' the boy who never grew up, and as 'Maggie Wiley,' the girl with 'charm' in whom, it is rumored, Mr. Barrie reflected his own impressions of Miss Adams. They say of Miss Adams that she 'keeps house on the stage,' giving personal attention to the complaints and suggestions of all members of her company. Last June she scored two notable successes in outdoor drama as Joan of Arc in the Stadium of Harvard university and as Rosalind in 'As You Like It' in the beautiful Greek theatre at Berkeley, California. Chantecler, which demands her present attention, might well be an outdoor play, with its scenes of barn-yard and forest in which Rostand, whimsically presenting his characters as birds and other non-human beings, satirizes human pettiness and poetically shows that life on the lowest scale is beautiful when glorified by labor, love, earnestness and self-sacrifice."

Max L. Powell announces that Abraham Burbank of Pittsfield, Mass., until recently manager of the Whitcomb house in Rochester, N. Y., and previously with the Ten Eyck in Albany, N. Y., is to be the manager of the new hotel Vermont at Burlington. Mr. Burbank is 32 years old and unmarried. Robert F. Collamer, formerly in charge of the hotel Burlington, will be assistant manager of the hotel.

Fred Rowell of Summer street, who recently suffered an attack of appendicitis, is rapidly recovering his health. Peter M. Deputie passed Sunday at his home in Milton.

LOSS OF \$10,000

At Laconia, N. H., Yesterday Afternoon; It Was Hard Fight.

Laconia, N. H., Feb. 20.—Fire started yesterday afternoon in the picker room of the Belknap mills, and caused an approximate loss of \$10,000. The fire was discovered by Joseph R. Chase, who sent in an alarm from box 25. When discovered, the interior of the picker room was a mass of flames and the fire had run its way into the two main buildings adjoining. The department had a lively battle for an hour with the flames, but did excellent service in confining the blaze to the three buildings, as the fire was in what is considered a fire trap in the center of the business and manufacturing section of the city.

The loss on the buildings, which are owned by the Belknap Mills corporation, is placed at \$32,500; loss on contents of the buildings, \$1,000; Clarence Clark, printing office, loss \$4,500 to stock, type, press, etc.; Lamprey and Harkins, Granite and Marble works, loss of \$2,000, caused by stains on the marble and granite headstones, etc., which were ready for delivery at the opening of spring. The loss on the buildings and contents of the Belknap corporation are covered by insurance, while the loss of Messrs. Clark and Lamprey and Harkins is partially covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion. When Mr. Chase first noticed the fire he was at the Cometa lunch across the river, and he saw considerable smoke making its way skyward, and he ran down to the building and found that it was entirely ablaze inside. Mayor Alfred G. Wyatt was among the first on the scene.

STRIKE ON THE NEW
YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD

800 Boilermakers Ordered Out To-day Because Road Did Not Grant Demand of Men for Abolishment of Piece Work.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 20.—President Weyland of the Brotherhood of Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders of America to-day ordered out 800 boilermakers employed on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern division of the New York Central railroad, between Buffalo and Chicago. A strike has been pending for several weeks, while negotiations were being carried on between the boilermakers and the representatives and officials of the road. The demand of the men for the abolishment of piece work was the cause.

PANAMA FORTIFICATION ASSURED.

Sundry Civil Bill Will Provide for It, According to Rep. Fitzgerald.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—Representative Fitzgerald of New York, a member of the committee on appropriations, announced in the House to-day that the sundry civil bill will carry the provision for the fortification of the Panama canal. This statement was made in response to a question from Mr. Holman of Alabama and was greeted with applause.

CALLED A TRUCE

In the Long Filibuster in the House Yesterday.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—A truce, arrived at shortly before 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, brought the long filibuster in the House against the omnibus war claims bill temporarily to an end. The agreement to suspend hostilities was reached after an intermission of three hours devoted to memorial services for the late Senator Clay of Georgia and the late Representative Brownlow of Tennessee. These services, which occurred at midday yesterday, seemed to put the House combatants in a more peaceful frame of mind.

CONDEMNED RECIPROCITY BILL.

Witness Said It Had Been Helped by League of Newspapers.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—Hearings on the McCall bill to carry out the provisions of the Canadian reciprocity agreement were begun to-day by the Senate committee on finance. During the forenoon the only witness was John Strange of Neenah, Wisconsin, a paper manufacturer, and former lieutenant governor of that state. He opposed the bill in strenuous language, charging that a false sentiment in favor of it had been manufactured by a league of newspapers, which he believed to be in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

On a High Plane.

Looking upon the fierce fight that was going during the closing days of the Vermont legislature between the Boston & Maine and the Central Vermont railway largely as a case of dog eat dog. The Standard has taken no special interest in the matter.

But out of the struggle and turmoil we have been gratified to note the evolution of a principle which is of a great deal of value and that is, independence of action, as displayed by those senators who conscientiously believed that they could not favor the Boston & Maine measure, although they lived along its line and their every-day life was more or less identified with its interests.

One of these was Senator David E. Porter of St. Johnsbury, who, in a letter to the St. Johnsbury Republican, gives very intelligent and convincing reasons why he could not vote for the plan submitted by the Boston & Maine. Undoubtedly these same convincing reasons influenced his colleagues, Senators Taplin and Darling, who, like Senator Porter, live in towns served by the Boston & Maine system.

LAY BLAME
ON BRYCE

Unionists Think He May Have Failed In Doing Duty

AS BRITISH AMBASSADOR

Government Ministers Were Subjected To More Heckling by the Unionists To-day in the House of Commons.

London, Feb. 20.—Again to-day in the House of Commons the government was made the target for a multiplicity of questions regarding the United States-Canada reciprocity agreement. In most instances, the replies of the ministers were colorless reiterations of known facts. They evaded the political controversies which the Unionist hecklers sought to arouse.

The Unionists were especially active in suggesting that Ambassador Bryce had failed in his duty of watching over British interests, but Premier Asquith staunchly defended the diplomat. He said that the negotiations between Ottawa and Washington had been of such detailed and complicated nature that it was impossible for the ambassador to follow the various stages closely.

A GHASTLY JOKE.

Mourning Friends at Station Wait to Greet a Bride Alive.

St. Albans, Feb. 20.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Trembley thought they were among the most popular people in northern Vermont when they returned from their wedding trip Saturday night to find the depot filled with a curious crowd which greeted them with various demonstrations of approval and affection. Some one, it is said to be some butcher or grocer's delivery boy, jokingly told one of his old lady customers Saturday morning that Mrs. Trembley had been killed in an automobile accident in New York, and that she would be brought home on the evening express. Apparently the old lady lost no time but spent all the rest of the day handing out the "news," both by telephone and word of mouth, until about the whole town had heard of it, including of course the young woman's parents.

Mr. Gonyeau, the bride's father, was badly broken up of course, and his wife, an invalid, was also informed. It was not until Mr. Gonyeau accompanied by a priest and an undertaker had been at the station for some time, waiting for the delayed train, that the hoax was discovered, and even then many refused to leave, until the train arrived and the bride and groom alighted. It was a sad joke if joke it can be called, for its effect on the bride's invalid mother was anything but helpful.

DISCOVERED IN TIME.

Serious Fire Was Averted Thereby In Groton Saturday.

Groton, Feb. 20.—As M. E. Brockley was going to his home from the power house of Clark and Davidson, about 1 o'clock Saturday morning, he discovered fire in the blacksmith shop of A. E. Lagare, which is occupied by Chester Page. The alarm was soon given and several who responded to the call took their chemical extinguishers with them and by the aid of which the fire was soon subdued. The discovery was timely for the location of the fire was such that in a few minutes it would have been beyond control, and the loss would have been considerable to Mr. Page, as he carried no insurance on his stock of tools or machinery.

Everett, the ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ricker, while playing with other children in his father's barn Saturday afternoon was badly injured, one leg being broken at the knee. The fracture was a bad one and Dr. W. G. Ricker of Wells River was called to assist Dr. H. L. Tilton in reducing it. The boy is now as comfortable as could be expected.

HELPED OUT BY DEMOCRATS.

Republicans Put An End to the Three Days' Filibuster.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—A great majority of the Democrats in the House voted with the Republicans to-day, 173 to 43, for the adoption of a rule providing that all the House rules can be suspended on a two-thirds vote during the remainder of the session, so that the appropriation and other measures can be rushed through without amendment after forty minutes debate. The Democratic leaders announced they were willing to do anything in reason to assist their Republican "brethren" out of the predicament in which they find themselves so near the end of the session.

EXPLORING PARTY KILLED.

Stanforth Smith, British Administrator of Papua, and Others.

Brisbane, Australia, Feb. 20.—Word was received today from Papua, a division of Iland, New Guinea, of the massacre of Stanforth Smith, British administrator of Papua, two white officers and a party of natives by the inhabitants of the interior. Smith and the party were killed while exploring the interior of the country.

To Vote on 1910 Tax.

St. Albans, Feb. 20.—A special town meeting will be held at Johnson Saturday evening to see if the town will vote to raise a tax of thirty cents for 1910.

BODY GROUND UP
BENEATH ENGINE

George Duquette, Aged 38, Victim on Boston & Maine Track at Newport Yesterday Morning.

Newport, Feb. 20.—George Duquette, aged 38, was killed in the south yard of the Boston & Maine railroad at about 5:40 Sunday morning by being struck by a shifting engine. Duquette, who was employed at the roundhouse and had been running the turntable on the day shift, was going to his work and was walking on the track used for outbound trains when it is thought that he heard engine 417 approaching and supposing that it was on that track, stepped onto the inbound track and was run over and killed.

The body was ground to an unrecognizable mass and but for the overcoat he was accustomed to wear it would have been difficult to identify it. Mr. Duquette leaves a wife and four children, one of whom is an invalid and another is dangerously ill. He was a member of the C. O. F. and carried a small insurance.

MARRIED 60 YEARS.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonso K. Quimby of St. Johnsbury Observe Event.

St. Johnsbury, Feb. 20.—Sixty years ago yesterday, in the quiet little hamlet of Waterford, Rev. David Carr, or Elder Carr, as he was called, pronounced the solemn vows which joined in marriage Alonso K. Quimby and Miss Nellie Ann Cheney. Since that time they have celebrated their silver and golden wedding anniversaries, and yesterday they quietly observed the sixtieth anniversary of the marriage. Mr. Quimby enjoyed another source of congratulation—the day being his 84th birthday. Mrs. Quimby was 83 the 18th day of last January. Both are in comparatively good health. The weight of years seems to have enfeebled Mr. Quimby's mind somewhat, but Mrs. Quimby retains unimpaired an active mind and a keen, retentive memory.

Mrs. Quimby was born in Ohio. When she was still a small child, her parents returned to Vermont, traveling the entire distance from the great lakes in an old express wagon drawn by a single horse. The remainder of her girlhood days were spent in Waterford, where she met Mr. Quimby. At the time of their marriage, they moved on a farm in Kirby. During their active life, they lived in that town and the town of Concord. Mr. Quimby's work alternated between farming and stone-masonry.

TOOK SEVEN BALLOTS

To Nominate for Road Commissioner in St. Johnsbury.

St. Johnsbury, Feb. 20.—At the non-partisan or union caucus Saturday afternoon to place in nomination the town officers to be voted for at the coming March meeting, nearly five hundred voters were called out and the contests were waged lively from start to finish. J. Rolfe Searles acted as chairman. The nominations were as follows: Moderator, J. Rolfe Searles; town clerk and treasurer, Charles G. Bralley; selectman, Charles Weeks was elected to succeed himself on the board. Mr. Searles was elected to oversee of the poor, W. H. B. Robit was elected to succeed himself; Mat. Charles Whitney was re-elected to fill the vacancy on the board of listers; auditors, H. H. Carr, John Puffer and Frank Philbrick; trustee of public money, Charles Bralley; grand jurors, J. Rolfe Searles and Freeman Pierce.

There was a contest over a school district. Senator David E. Porter was a candidate to succeed himself. He was supplanted by E. R. Mackey. J. Rolfe Searles was nominated town agent. In the contest for road commissioner there were many candidates and all with some persistence too. Seven successive ballots were taken. Candidates in the field were Olin Sargent, Fred Hawkins, Dr. W. J. Aldrich, Luman Ladd and Dan Grant. Candidates were well prepared with printed ballots. After three or four ballots, Ladd and Aldrich withdrew and on the seventh ballot, Fred Hawkins was elected by one vote. The contest for this office was the liveliest seen in this place for many days. Sargent led the field until it got so late that many of his former brethren had to leave and the tide turned towards Hawkins.

AN EXECUTION ISSUED

In Favor of Van Dyke Against Grand Trunk Company.

St. Johnsbury, Feb. 20.—An execution was issued from the county clerk's office Saturday in the case recently decided by the supreme court, George Van Dyke vs. the Grand Trunk company, owners of Canada. This is one of the largest cases which has come before our courts in a long time. Judgment was rendered for the plaintiff for timber lands which were burned over, in the sum of \$30,638.20 damages, and costs amounting to \$476.32, making the railway debtor to the plaintiff in the sum of \$31,114.52.

THE MONEY TRUSTEED.

Preventing Distribution Among Victims of Young McCullough.

The money which was secured from Arthur J. McCullough, the young man sentenced Saturday for forgery, was trusted to-day in the hands of Sheriff Tracy and Chief Durkee of the Montpelier police by Bryan & Evans of Waterbury, thus preventing the distribution of the amount among the Montpelier victims of the young man. The Bryan & Evans claim is said to be \$25.

DESPERATE
FIGHT ON ROOF

But "Black Hand" Was Captured by Detectives

IN CHICAGO LAST NIGHT

Racole C. Trapini, Who Had Shot and Mortally Wounded Another Italian, Was Overpowered While Loading Revolver.

Chicago, Feb. 20.—Trained through the snow to a refuge on top of a four-story building in West Randolph street, Racole C. Trapini engaged in a desperate battle last night with detectives but was finally overcome. The detectives climbed to the roof in a shower of bullets and overpowered the Italian while he was attempting to load his revolver. Only a few moments before he was cornered on the roof he shot and mortally wounded Vito Cappitelli.

STABBING VICTIM
DIED YESTERDAY

Tony M. Ateria of Barre, Mass., Killed and Robert Cepitti Was Placed Under Arrest After Long Chase.

Barre, Mass., Feb. 20.—After a long chase through swamp and woodland, Robert Capiti was arrested in South Barre yesterday on the charge of stabbing Tony M. Ateria, who died at St. Vincent hospital, Worcester, yesterday, from wounds received Saturday night. The police say that the trouble arose when Ateria protested that Capiti and his five boarders, who lived in the upstairs tenement of Ateria's house, were making too much noise.

Ateria, it is claimed, rapped on the walls for quiet Saturday night, and when he heard Capiti and three of his boarders come down stairs and leave the house he followed them. During the dispute that followed, Ateria was stabbed. Constable John Scott and Dr. Walter S. Bates were called and Capiti was taken into custody, while Ateria was rushed to the hospital. Before he died he is said to have accused Capiti of the stabbing, but Capiti asserts that one of the other men did it.

Deputy Sheriff David H. Rice, when notified of the circumstances, took charge of the case and was taking Capiti to jail when the prisoner leaped from the wagon and escaped. All night Deputy Sheriff Rice and Constable Scott chased the man. In his efforts to elude the officers Capiti waded in the cold waters of a brook and ran along on stone walls and rough ledges in order not to leave any tracks in the snow. When he escaped he had two pairs of handcuffs on and these he had broken off on a rock. His hands were badly lacerated and he was thoroughly exhausted when captured during the forenoon in a swamp in South Barre. He was locked up in the Barre jail to await a hearing before Trial Justice Matthew Walker. Ateria and Capiti were both married, and each has one child.

TOOK CONTRACTS
AT ACTUAL LOSS

Reported Receiver Davis To-day in Case of Burns, Wilfore & Hamilton of Northfield To-day.

A hearing was held in the county clerk's office at Montpelier to-day, when receiver Fred J. Davis of the granite firm of Burns, Wilfore & Hamilton of Northfield asked that some of the contracts now held by the firm be carried out. There were no objections offered, and the receiver was given such permission. He reported that the accounts of the firm are in bad shape and that some contracts were taken at an actual loss. One case he specified in particular was where the firm had taken a contract for \$300 and sublet it for \$410. Receiver Davis reported that the liabilities of the firm are \$35,000 and the assets \$18,000. About \$275 is due employees.

AN AFFAIR OF HONOR

So They Went Behind Stoneshed and Settled It with Fists.

Fred Patis pleaded guilty in the city court this morning to the charge of breach of the peace and was sentenced to the county jail for two months. Patis was arrested this morning on a warrant by Chief Sinclair. This case was the result of what Patis claimed was a fight for honor. He said that he had a dispute with William Gibson recently and to settle it they decided upon a duel with fists. He said they secured two seconds and went to the rear of a stoneshed and fought it out. Just who won, he did not state. The Gibson boy was also in court this morning, but he was arraigned on the charge of breach of the peace for quarreling with his mother and his younger brother. He pleaded guilty and Judge Scott deferred sentence until 2 o'clock this afternoon, that the boy's mother might be brought into court and inform the court just what happened.

After consulting Mrs. Gibson this afternoon, Judge Scott imposed a fine of \$1 and costs of \$7.39, which were paid. Miss Martine Jensen, aged 20 years, was arrested this morning on a warrant issued by the state's attorney, charging her with the larceny of a quantity of toilet articles from the home of Edward Anderson in Williamstown, where she was employed as a domestic. The case will be brought up in court late this afternoon.

Madam Florence, clairvoyant and palmist, is in Barre again for a short time only, at the hotel Otis.

VERMONT BANKS
SHOW AN INCREASE

State Commissioner Williams Issues a Statement Showing Gain in Six Months, Also Announces Bank Law Changes.

State Bank Commissioner Frank C. Williams has issued a statement of the aggregate resources and liabilities of the fifty mutual savings banks and savings banks and trust companies at the close of business December 31, 1910, showing that the total increase in deposits during the six months from June 30 was \$1,610,831.96. He also announced that the comptroller of the currency reported on January 7, 1911, that of the 31 national banks in Vermont 31 have savings deposits of \$7,841,229.75. Accrued interest is not computed in the savings bank abstract, because the last legislative act amended the law so as to eliminate accrued interest in computing surplus.

Commissioner Williams also summarizes the changes in the banking laws by the legislature of 1910, as follows:—

Changes in the Banking Laws.

1. The local tax upon the excess of \$2,000 of individual deposits was repealed, and the limit of individual deposits was removed as to all state banks.

2. The local tax upon funds and securities held in trust by trust companies, by order of court or otherwise, was repealed.

3. Mortgages on real estate in an adjoining state, within twenty miles of the bank making them, may be treated as Vermont loans.

4. Mortgage loans on real estate may be made to a person, partnership or corporation (treating loans to each partner as loans to the partnership) to the amount of \$30,000, and may be increased 1 per cent. of the deposits in excess of \$1,000,000.00.

5. Railroad bonds which comply with certain requirements of the act are made legal investments for banks, and the commissioner is required to certify those which meet these requirements, which will be done as soon as possible.

6. Investment is allowed in stocks of national banks in the New England states, and the state of New York, and in banking associations and trust companies of this state; but no bank shall hold bank stock, both by way of investment and as security for loans, in excess of 10 per cent. of its deposits, nor, in any one bank more than 5 per cent. of its deposits or more than \$35,000, or more than 10 per cent. of the capital stock of any one bank.

7. A bank may deposit on call in banking associations or trust companies approved by the bank commissioner of this state and under the supervision of the state or federal authority, in this state or in the cities of New York, Boston, Chicago, Albany, Philadelphia, or Concord, New Hampshire, or in any other bank designated as a depository under the laws of the United States, or in national banks in the cities of St. Paul, Minneapolis and Kansas City, with or without interest as may be agreed upon, sums not to exceed in the aggregate 20 per cent. of the assets of such depositing banks.

8. Loans may be made on personal security with two approved banks or persons resident in this state, within fifty miles of the bank making the loan, but not more than one-third of the assets of the bank shall be invested in such loans and personal loans with collateral security; nor shall a bank loan to any person, partnership, association or corporation upon personal security (treating loans to individual members of a partnership as loans to the partnership), more than \$10,000, until a bank's deposits amount to one million dollars, after which the sums so loaned may be increased 1 per cent. of the deposits in excess of one million dollars, up to, but not exceeding \$30,000, or in cases where 10 per cent. of the capital and surplus exceed \$30,000, up to, but not exceeding 10 per cent. of the capital, if any, and surplus, but this limitation does not apply to loans secured by municipal or railroad bonds.

9. The committee on banks reported an amendment to the commission bill, which was adopted, which provides that accrued interest shall not be used in determining the per cent. of surplus fund held by a bank.

10. All banks must carry a reserve of 15 per cent. of their commercial deposits and 3 per cent. of their savings deposits. At least 3-5 of this reserve must be in cash on hand and in authorized banks, and 1-2 of said 3-5 must be in cash on hand; but balances in banks authorized, in the same county with the bank, will be accepted in lieu of cash to the amount of 1-2 of such cash requirement, and 2-5 of such reserve may be in United States bonds, or in the bonds of any city of the United States of at least two hundred thousand inhabitants, according to the last United States census.

11. Trust companies are required to set aside for a surplus fund, before paying dividends to stockholders, at the rate of one-fourth of one per cent. a year of their average deposits for the previous period, until such fund and its stock amounts to 10 per cent. of its deposits and other liabilities except capital stock, surplus and funds held in a fiduciary capacity. In order to pay 4 per cent. interest on deposits, a bank must have accumulated at least one-half of such 10 per cent. surplus, and make the annual additions stated above, and hold as security for loans.

12. A director of a trust company must own at least one thousand dollars of its capital stock, absolutely free and unpledged.

FUNERAL OF JOHN MILNE

Was Held Yesterday Afternoon, With Burial in Hope Cemetery.

The funeral of John Milne, whose death occurred at his home on B street Thursday night, was held from the house yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. W. Barnett, pastor of the Congregational church, officiated. In addition to a large attendance of friends and relatives, delegations from Clan Gordon, No. 12, Order of Scottish Clans, and Court Granite City, No. 3, Foresters of America, were present. The bearers were as follows: James R. Galt, John Paul, William Nichol, Alexander Ironside, Robert Webster and Charles Lundgren. Miss Annie Robertson and William Robertson sang "Abide With Me," and "My Jesus, I Love Thee." A large floral offering, including pieces from the different fraternal orders to which the deceased belonged, surrounded the casket. The burial was held in Hope cemetery.

MAINE LOSES
CONGRESSMAN

Amos L. Allen of the First District Died To-day

HE HAD BEEN ILL 12 DAYS

During His Early Public Career, He Was Secretary to Speaker Thomas B. Reed—Body to Be Taken to Alfred, Me.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—Representative Amos L. Allen of the first congressional district in Maine died of pneumonia at his headquarters here to-day, following an illness of twelve days. His daughter and his son were with him when he died. The body will be taken to his home at Alfred, Maine, for burial.

Representative Allen was born in Waterbury, York county, Me., on March 17, 1837, and was, therefore, nearly 74 years of age. He was educated at Whitestown, N. Y., seminary and Bowdoin college, after which he studied law at Alfred and later attended the Columbia law school in Washington, D. C. After being admitted to the bar in his native county, he came to Washington and served as a clerk in the treasury department. Later he was elected clerk of York county and was re-elected three times. In 1883 he was made clerk of the judiciary committee of the national House and a year later he became a special examiner in the pension bureau. Returning to Maine he was elected to the state legislature in 1890 and later came back to Washington as private secretary to Speaker Reed during three congresses.

After being a delegate to the Republican national committee at St. Louis in 1896 he was elected to Congress in 1899, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Reed. He had since received five successive re-elections to Congress.

WERE MANY CONTESTS

At the Barre Town Caucus Held Saturday Evening.

The caucus of Barre town voters was held in the town hall at Barre Saturday evening, and the nominations were not made till there had been several contests. Alex. Lawson was elected moderator and W. H. Miles clerk of the caucus. Later the latter was nominated for town clerk and treasurer. E. N. Aldrich was re-nominated for selectman after two ballots. Dan McFarlane and James Lawson being the other candidates. T. W. Boark, the present overseer of the poor, was opposed by H. F. Patton but Mr. Boark won by a large majority.

Reminiscences were recorded by F. C. Cutler for first constable and William McKane for second constable. William Henley was nominated for Ester for three years, winning over W. W. Sutton. On auditors, A. C. Dickey was re-nominated without opposition and M. A. Corbett was also re-nominated, but only after a contest with Alex. McLeary. F. L. Tucker was named for third auditor. For grand jurors, C. N. Barber and W. A. Cutler were named again, as was M. A. Corbett for school director for a term of three years. Road Commissioner E. A. Williams had a contest on his hands but he won from W. W. Bellville for re-nomination, only a single ballot being cast.

There were about 175 voters at the caucus, and the interest throughout was great. It is expected that nomination papers will be filed by some of the defeated aspirants.

WASHINGTON CELEBRATION.

Committee Hopes to Get Large Sum Towards Soldiers' Monument.

The arrangements made by the committee in charge of the concert and dance to be held in the new Howland hall on Washington's birthday, next Wednesday evening, leave no doubt but what this occasion is to be the best one of the season, as those who have seen the program, which is liberally distributed through the city, will agree to. Mayor Mutch expects that there will be a large turnout that evening. He has been informed that the grand march is to be led off by twelve veterans of the G. A. R. and their comrades, and is assured that the getting together of the old and young people of the city to enjoy themselves is something that should be encouraged, and when the occasion of this event is considered, namely, the birthday of the father of the United States, and the purpose of the event, namely, to turn over all the proceeds for the erection of a memorial to be built of Barre granite in memory of the work of our townpeople some fifty years ago, the success of the evening seems sure.

It would look reasonable for even those who find it impossible to attend to purchase either a concert ticket at 25c or a dance ticket at \$1 per couple, to help the good work along.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cady of Burlington are at the hotel Otis, where Mr. Cady is engaged as clerk.

The annual junior exhibit at evening at 8 o'clock.

The Bijou has two feature I. M. P. pictures. One picture, "The Awakening of Jane," shows the actress popular Miss Lawrence, the former Biograph girl. An excellent vaudeville offering completes the program.

Sunday and Monday arrivals at the City hotel were as follows: M. J. Bunk, East Bethel; G. E. Thayer, Northfield; A. Cohen, G. J. Sears, Burlington; H. N. Kimball, Enosburg Falls; C. L. Whipple, Northfield; Alex. McKenzie, New York City; M. Fraser, Philadelphia; J. C. McKensie, Boston; F. H. Mann, Woodville, N. H.; H. S. Wright, Philadelphia;